

CARR - 676

MEDFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT

late 19th century

Avondale Road  
Medford

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Medford is a railroad depot town that developed during the late nineteenth century. It is shown on the 1862 map as Waesche's Station (four houses) and on the 1877 map as Richardson's Station (six houses). The 1887 Maryland Directory and State Gazetteer lists the station as Medford and shows the following businesses: H. S. Roberts, Postmaster, Railroad Agent and General Merchandise; John Appler, Carpenter; George W. Snider, Blacksmith; and Miss M. R. Lord, Teacher. The remaining railroad building date from the turn-of-the-century and was the location of the Medford Grocery Company during the twentieth century. They are now severely deteriorated.



## DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

225. N. Center Street  
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## WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT

## FIELD SHEET--HISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY

COUNTY:	CARROLL
TOWN:	Medford
LOCATION:	Avondale Road - .1 mile east of Medford Road
COMMON NAME:	Medford
FUNCTIONAL TYPE:	railroad buildings
OWNER:	S. Bair
ADDRESS:	
ACCESSIBILITY TO PUBLIC:	Yes ( ) No ( ) Restricted ( )
LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE:	Local ( ) State ( ) National ( )

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

Structural System

3 Railroad Buildings - see back

1. Foundation: Stone ( ) Brick ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
  2. Wall Structure
    - A. Wood: Log ( ) Post and Beam ( ) Balloon ( )
    - B. Wood Bearing Masonry: Brick ( ) Stone ( ) Concrete ( ) Concrete Block ( )
    - C. Iron ( ) D. Steel ( ) E. Other
  3. Wall Covering: Weatherboard ( ) German Siding ( ) Board and Batten ( )  
Wood Shingle ( ) Shiplap ( ) Novelty ( ) Stucco ( ) Sheet Metal ( )  
Aluminum ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Brick Veneer ( ) Stone Veneer ( )  
Bonding Pattern: Other:
  4. Roof Structure
    - A. Truss: Wood ( ) Iron ( ) Steel ( ) Concrete ( )
    - B. Other:
  5. Roof Covering: Slate ( ) Wood Shingle ( ) Asphalt Shingle ( ) Sheet Metal ( )  
Built Up ( ) Rolled ( ) Tile ( ) Other:
  6. Engineering Structure:
  7. Other:
- Appendages: Porches ( ) Towers ( ) Cupolas ( ) Dormers ( ) Chimneys ( ) Sheds ( )  
Ells ( ) Wings ( ) Other:
- Roof Style: Gable ( ) Hip ( ) Shed ( ) Flat ( ) Mansard ( ) Gambrel ( ) Jerkinhead ( )  
Saw Tooth ( ) With Monitor ( ) With Bellcast ( ) With Parapet ( )  
With False Front ( ) Other:

Number of Stories: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Bays: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate Dimensions: \_\_\_\_\_

Entrance Location: \_\_\_\_\_

## THREAT TO STRUCTURE:

- No Threat ( ) Zoning ( ) Roads ( )  
Development ( ) Deterioration ( )  
Alteration ( ) Other:

## LOCAL ATTITUDES:

- Positive ( ) Negative ( )  
Mixed ( ) Other:

SUFVEY NUMBER:

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NEGATIVE FILE NUMBER:

UTM REFERENCES:

Zone/Easting/Northing

U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: New Windsor

PRESENT FORMAL NAME:

Medford

ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:

Wasche's Station

PRESENT USE: abandoned

ORIGINAL USE: railroad station

ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:

PHYSICAL CONDITION OF STRUCTURE:

Excellent ( ) Good ( )

Fair ( ) Poor (X)

THEME:

STYLE:

DATE BUILT:

## ADDITIONAL ARCHITECTURAL OR STRUCTURAL DESCRIPTION:

1. Office - gable front (facing east), 2 story, 3 x 5 bay structure, wood frame covered in German siding 6/6 window sash
2. Freight house - frame with weatherboard structure, 8 x 3 bays, 2 story with central square cupola, the major portion of the store for the Medford Grocery Co. was here
3. Warehouse - frame with weatherboard covered in tin, 2 story, sections of small windows on each story

all three structures in bad physical condition

## RELATED STRUCTURES: (Describe)

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

representative of a turn-of-the-century rural RR depot

## REFERENCES:

1862 Martenet's Map:

1877 LG & S Atlas:

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## SURROUNDING ENVIRONMENT:

Open Lane ( ) Woodland ( ) Scattered Buildings ( )  
 Moderately Built Up ( ) Densely-Built Up ( )  
 Residential ( ) Commercial ( )  
 Agricultural ( ) Industrial ( )  
 Roadside Strip Development ( )  
 Other:

## RECORDED BY:

## ORGANIZATION:

## DATE RECORDED:



U.S.G.S. MAP  
NEW WINDSOR, MD.  
1:24000 SCALE



1. CARR-676 MEDFORD HISTORIC DISTRICT
2. Carroll County, Maryland
3. Joe Getty
4. August 1983
5. Md. Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
6. Medford Store office, east and north  
elevation (camera facing southwest)
7. 1/1